

## Message Text

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ACTION SS-30

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FM AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 623  
INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
AMEMBASSY AMMAN  
AMEMBASSY BEIRUT  
AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
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E.O. 11652 GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, IS, EG  
SUBJ:LBAB AL MANDAB

1. SEVERAL AMERICAN NEWSMEN NOTED TO EMBOFF TODAY THAT GOI  
HAD INSTITUTED VIRTUALLY TOTAL CENSORSHIP OF ANY MENTION OF  
BAB AL MANDAB IN DISPATCHES OF FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS. ONE  
NEWSMAN COMPLAINED THAT TODAY CENSORS EVEN STRUCK OUT OF DISPATCHES  
REFERENEEES TO PUBLIC STATEMENTS MADE BY GOI OFFICIALS ON BAB  
LAST WEEK. THIS UNPRECEDENTED STEP, HE SURMISSED COULD ONLY HAVE  
BEEN TAKEN AT REQUEST OF US EMBASSY.

2. AS FOR ISRAELI PRESS, IT WOULD REQUIRE A FINE TOOTH COMB TO  
FIND MENTION OF BAB IN TODAY'S EDITIONS.

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